IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	Michael J. Strobel, <i>et al.</i>
Application No. 09/745,960	Filing Date: December 22, 2000
Title of Application:	A Screw For Medical Purposes And A Driving Tool
Confirmation No. 8504	Art Unit: 3743
Examiner	

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Response Transmittal and Petition For Time Extension (37 CFR 1.136[A])

Dear Sir:

- 1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of two months to respond to the Office Letter mailed on October 11, 2006.
- 2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
- 3. Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17). \$ 450.00 Extension Fee is due with this request.
- 4. Fee Payment. Fee paid via EFS System in the sum of \$450.00.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this Application to Account No. 19-4516.

Respectfully submitted,

March 9, 2007

/Wesley W. Whitmyer, Jr./

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